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SUBJECT: INDIAN PRESS DETECTS SHIFT IN US POLICY TOWARD ANGOLA

1. ELEMENTS OF THE NEW DELHI PRESS HAVE DETECTED IN SECRETARY VANCE'S RECENT STATEMENTS AND IN AMBASSADOR MCHENRY'S MISSION TO LUANDA A SHIFT IN US POLICY TOWARD ANGOLA, FROM ONE OF CONFRONTATION TO ONE OF COOPERATION. AN EDITORIAL IN THE JUNE 29 "TIMES OF INDIA" AND A DISPATCH FROM N C MENON, THE "HINDUSTAN TIMES" MAN IN WASHINGTON, ATTRIBUTE THE SHIFT TO US RECOGNITION THAT THE PROBLEMS OF INSTABILITY IN ZAIRE'S SHABA PROVINCE, THE USE OF ZAIRE AS A BASE BY ANGOLAN REBELS, AND THE FUTURE OF NAMIBIA CAN BE ATTACKED BY WORKING WITH THE LUANDA GOVERNMENT, WHICH HAS INFLUENCE WITH THE KATANGAN GENDARMES AND WITH SWAPO.

2. FOR ITS PART, THE ARTICLES OBSERVE THE US APPEARS TO BE TONING DOWN ITS CHARGES THAT ANGOLA IS SERVING AS A SOVIET-CUBAN PAWN AND IN ADDITION, COUNSELING ZAIRE'S PRESIDENT MOBUTU NOT TO INTERFERE IN ANGOLA'S INTERNAL AFFAIRS. POINTING ALSO TO SECRETARY VANCE'S WARNING TO SOMALIA NOT TO ENCOURAGE INSURGENCY IN ETHIOPIA'S OGADEN REGION THE "TIMES" WRITES THAT  
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FOR THE TIME BEING US AFRICAN POLICY IS DIRECTED BY SECRETARY VANCE, AMBASSADOR YOUNG AND OTHER PERSONS NOT INTERESTED IN REVIVING THE COLD WAR WITH THE USSR OR IN REVERSING "THE PROCESS OF NORMALIZATION OF RELATIONS VIS-A-VIS CUBA." THE EDITORIAL CONCLUDES THAT "THIS MAY OR MAY NOT PRODUCE IMMEDIATE PROGRESS IN SALT-II NEGOTIATIONS. BUT HOPEFULLY IT MAY PREVENT AN UNNECESSARY AND DANGEROUS

DETERIORATION IN SOVIET-US OVERALL RELATIONS."  
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